

CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE OF THIS FORM.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff

(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

DEFENDANTS

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant

(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE:

IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff

☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant

☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)

☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

Citizen of This State

Citizen of Another State

Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country

PTF

DEF

PTF

DEF

☐ 1

☐ 1

☐ 4

☐ 4

Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State

Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State

Foreign Nation

☐ 2

☐ 2

☐ 3

☐ 3

☐ 5

☐ 5

☐ 6

☐ 6

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

CONTRACT

110 Insurance

120 Marine

130 Miller Act

140 Negotiable Instrument

150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment

151 Medicare Act

152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans)

153 Recovery of Veteran's Benefits

160 Stockholders' Suits

190 Other Contract

195 Contract Product Liability

196 Franchise

TORTS

PERSONAL INJURY

310 Airplane

315 Airplane Product Liability

320 Assault, Libel & Slander

330 Federal Employers' Liability

340 Marine

345 Marine Product Liability

350 Motor Vehicle

355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability

360 Other Personal Injury

362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice

PERSONAL INJURY

365 Personal Injury - Product Liability

367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability

368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability

PERSONAL PROPERTY

370 Other Fraud

371 Truth in Lending

380 Other Personal Property Damage

385 Property Damage Product Liability

FORFEITURE/PENALTY

625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881

690 Other

BANKRUPTCY

422 Appeal 28 USC 158

423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157

PROPERTY RIGHTS

820 Copyrights

830 Patent

840 Trademark

OTHER STATUTES

375 False Claims Act

376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729 (a))

400 State Reapportionment

410 Antitrust

430 Banks and Banking

450 Commerce

460 Deportation

470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations

480 Consumer Credit

490 Cable/Sat TV

850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange

890 Other Statutory Actions

891 Agricultural Acts

893 Environmental Matters

895 Freedom of Information Act

REAL PROPERTY

210 Land Condemnation

220 Foreclosure

230 Rent Lease & Ejectment

240 Torts to Land

245 Tort Product Liability

290 All Other Real Property

CIVIL RIGHTS

440 Other Civil Rights

441 Voting

442 Employment

443 Housing/Accommodations

445 Amer. w/Disabilities Employment

446 Amer. w/Disabilities Other

448 Education

PRISONER PETITIONS

510 Motions to Vacate Sentence

Habeas Corpus:

530 General

535 Death Penalty

540 Mandamus & Other

550 Civil Rights

555 Prison Condition

560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement

LABOR

710 Fair Labor Standards Act

720 Labor/Management Relations

740 Railway Labor Act

751 Family and Medical Leave Act

790 Other Labor Litigation

791 Employee Retirement Income Security Act

SOCIAL SECURITY

861 HIA (1395ff)

862 Black Lung (923)

863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g))

864 SSID Title XVI

865 RSI (405(g))

FEDERAL TAX SUITS

870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant)

871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609

IMMIGRATION

462 Naturalization Application

463 Habeas Corpus - Alien Detainee (Prisoner Petition)

465 Other Immigration Actions

V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

1 Original Proceeding

2 Removed from State Court

3 Remanded from Appellate Court

4 Reinstated or Reopened

5 Transferred from Another District (specify)

6 Multidistrict Litigation

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (Enter U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of cause.)

VII. Previous Bankruptcy Matters (For nature of suit 422 and 423, enter the case number and judge for any associated bankruptcy matter previously adjudicated by a judge of this Court. Use a separate attachment if necessary.)

VIII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND \$

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND:

Yes

No

IX. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

X. This case (check one box)

Is not a refile of a previously dismissed action

is a refile of case number previously dismissed by Judge

DATE

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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I. (a) Plaintiffs-Defendants. Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.

(b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)

(c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".

II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.

United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.

IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerk(s) in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.

V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the six boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.

Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity. Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service

VII. Previous Bankruptcy Matters For nature of suit 422 and 423 enter the case number and judge for any associated bankruptcy matter previously adjudicated by a judge of this court. Use a separate attachment if necessary.

VIII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P. Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

IX. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

X. Refiling Information. Place an "X" in one of the two boxes indicating if the case is or is not a refiling of a previously dismissed action. If it is a refiling of a previously dismissed action, insert the case number and judge.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.